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FOR: COUPLING REACTIONS USEFUL IN THE PREPARATION OF (1H-TETRAZOL-5-YL) BIPHENYL DERIVATIVES

MS: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This paper is supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 7, 2006. Since Applicants believe this paper is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, no fees are believed to be required under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3). If a fee is deemed to be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0134.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the reference cited on the attached form(s) PTO-1449.

A Copy of this references is enclosed herewith.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

Respectfully submitted,

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